

a decision on the constitutionality of the appointments to the Board made in January 2012, or the adjournment sine die of the first session of the 113th Congress (H. Rept. 113–32).

**Pages H1899–H1900, H1908**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Ribble to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

**Page H1863**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:56 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

**Page H1869**

**Electing Members to the Joint Committee of Congress on the Library and the Joint Committee on Printing:** The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 142, to elect Members to the Joint Committee of Congress on the Library and the Joint Committee on Printing.

**Page H1878**

**Bureau of Reclamation Small Conduit Hydropower Development and Rural Jobs Act:** The House passed H.R. 678, to authorize all Bureau of Reclamation conduit facilities for hydropower development under Federal Reclamation law, by a yeas-and-nay vote of 416 yeas to 7 nays, Roll No. 96.

**Pages H1874–78, H1878–90**

Rejected the Garamendi motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yeas-and-nay vote of 194 yeas to 226 nays, Roll No. 95. **Pages H1888–89**

Agreed to:

Tipton amendment (No. 3 printed in the Congressional Record of April 9, 2013) that requires the Bureau of Reclamation to apply its categorical exclusion process under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 to small conduit hydropower development, excluding siting of associated transmission facilities on Federal lands and

**Pages H1884–85**

Tipton amendment (No. 2 printed in the Congressional Record of April 9, 2013) that makes technical changes relating to policy and procedure-setting with respect to irrigation districts or water users associations.

**Pages H1886–87**

Rejected:

Napolitano amendment (No. 1 printed in the Congressional Record of April 9, 2013) that sought to strike the paragraph in the bill containing requirements regarding the application of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 to small conduit hydropower development and to change the definition of small conduit hydropower to mean a facility capable of producing 15 megawatts or less of electric capacity (by a recorded vote of 189 yeas to 232 nays, Roll No. 94).

**Pages H1885–86, H1887–88**

H. Res. 140, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by voice vote after the pre-

vious question was ordered by a yeas-and-nay vote of 236 yeas to 190 nays, Roll No. 93. **Pages H1874–78**

**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted to Congress his Budget of the United States Government for Fiscal Year 2014—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 113–3).

**Pages H1890–92**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yeas-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1877–78, H1887–88, H1889, H1889–90. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### APPROPRIATIONS—U.S. PACIFIC COMMAND AND U.S. FORCES KOREA

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing on U.S. Pacific Command and U.S. Forces Korea. Testimony was heard from Admiral Samuel J. Locklear III, U.S. Navy, Commander, United States Pacific Command; General James D. Thurman, U.S. Army, Commander, United Nations Command; Commander, Republic of Korea-United States Combined Forces Command; and Commander United States Forces Korea.

### APPROPRIATIONS—CAPITOL POLICE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a hearing on U.S. Capitol Police. Testimony was heard from Chief Kim Dine, Chief of Police.

### APPROPRIATIONS—SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION OVERSIGHT

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government held a hearing on Small Business Administration Oversight. Testimony was heard from Peggy Gustafson, Inspector General, Small Business Administration.

### APPROPRIATIONS—REGULATORY APPROACHES TO FOSTER ECONOMIC GROWTH

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing entitled “Regulatory Approaches to Foster Economic Growth”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**MENTAL HEALTH RESEARCH**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing on mental health research. Testimony was heard from Jonathan Woodson, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, U.S. Department of Defense; Lieutenant General Patricia D. Horoho, USA, Surgeon General, U.S. Army; Vice Admiral Matthew L. Nathan, MC, USN, Surgeon General, U.S. Navy; Lieutenant General Thomas W. Travis, USAF, Surgeon General, U.S. Air Force; and Commander Russell B. Carr, M.D., USN, Service Chief, Adult Behavioral Health Clinic, Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, U.S. Navy.

**REVIEWING STEM EDUCATION IN AMERICA**

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary and Secondary Education held a hearing entitled “Raising the Bar: Reviewing STEM Education in America”. Testimony was heard from George A. Scott, Director for Education, Workforce, and Income Security Issues, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

**NORTHERN ROUTE APPROVAL ACT**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on H.R. 3, the “Northern Route Approval Act”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**OUR NATION OF BUILDERS: POWERING U.S. AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURING FORWARD**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade held a hearing entitled “Our Nation of Builders: Powering U.S. Automobile Manufacturing Forward”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Communications and Technology began a markup on legislation to affirm the policy of the United States regarding Internet governance.

**SUSTAINABLE HOUSING FINANCE: PERSPECTIVES ON REFORMING THE FHA**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance held a hearing entitled “Sustainable Housing Finance: Perspectives on Reforming the FHA”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**EXAMINING CREDIT UNION REGULATORY BURDENS**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Financial Institutions held a hearing entitled “Examining Credit Union Regulatory Burdens”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**LUXURY JETS AND EMPTY PRISONS: WASTEFUL AND DUPLICATIVE SPENDING AT THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Luxury Jets and Empty Prisons: Wasteful and Duplicative Spending at the Department of Justice”. Testimony was heard from Senator Coburn; Lee J. Lofthus, Assistant Attorney General for Administration, Department of Justice; Michael E. Horowitz, Inspector General, Department of Justice, David C. Maurer, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

**U.S. FOREIGN ASSISTANCE: WHAT OVERSIGHT MECHANISMS ARE IN PLACE TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY**

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “U.S. Foreign Assistance: What Oversight Mechanisms are in Place to Ensure Accountability?”. Testimony was heard from Harold W. Geisel, Deputy Inspector General, Department of State; Kenneth Moorefield, Deputy Inspector General for Special Plans and Operations, Department of Defense; Michael G. Carroll, Deputy Inspector General, Agency for International Development; John F. Sopko, Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction; Paul Cooksey, Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction.

**AHEAD OF POSTAL REFORM: HEARING FROM USPS BUSINESS PARTNERS**

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service, and the Census held a hearing entitled “Ahead of Postal Reform: Hearing from USPS Business Partners”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**PREVENTING GREATER UNCERTAINTY IN LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS ACT**

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 1120, the “Preventing Greater Uncertainty in Labor-Management Relations Act”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 7–3, a closed rule for H.R. 1120. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The

rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of the Rules Committee Print 113–6 shall be considered as adopted. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Kline and Representative Andrews.

#### **REVIEW OF PRIVATE SECTOR EFFORTS TO TRACK AND MITIGATE ASTEROIDS AND METEORS**

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Threats from Space, Part II: A Review of Private Sector Efforts to Track and Mitigate Asteroids and Meteors”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **SMALL BUSINESS TAX REFORM: GROWTH THROUGH SIMPLICITY**

*Committee on Small Business:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Small Business Tax Reform: Growth Through Simplicity”. Testimony was heard from Chairman Camp; and public witnesses.

#### **UPDATE OF EFFORTS TO COMBAT PIRACY**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime held a hearing on the efforts to combat piracy. Testimony was heard from Rear Admiral Servidio, Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy, United States Coast Guard; Rear Admiral Joseph Kuzmick, Director, Operations and Plans, United States Navy; David Matsuda, Administrator, Maritime Administration; Thomas Kelly, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State; and a public witness.

#### **LEGISLATIVE MEASURES**

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a hearing on H.R. 357, the “GI Bill Tuition Fairness Act of 2013”; H.R. 562, the “VRAP Extension Act of 2013”; H.R. 631, the “Servicemembers' Choice in Transition Act of 2013”; H.R. 844, the “VetSuccess Enhancement Act”; H.R. 1305, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide clarification regarding eligibility for services under the Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program; H.R. 1316, to amend title 38, United States Code, to specify the responsibilities of the Directors and Assistant Directors of Veterans' Employment and Training; H.R. 1402, the “Veterans Paralympic Act of 2013”; H.R. 1453, the “Improving Job Opportunities for Veterans Act of 2013”; and H.R. 1453 to amend title 39, United States Code, to extend the authority to provide work-study allowance

for certain activities by individuals receiving educational assistance by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs. Testimony was heard from Curtis L. Coy, Deputy Under Secretary for Economic Opportunity, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; Susan Kelly, Deputy Director, Transition to Veterans Program Office, Department of Defense; Keith Kelly, Assistant Secretary, Veterans' Employment and Training Service, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

#### **SUSTAINING THE SACRED TRUST: AN UPDATE ON OUR NATIONAL CEMETERIES**

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Disability and Memorial Affairs held a hearing entitled “Sustaining the Sacred Trust: An Update on our National Cemeteries”. Testimony was heard from Steve L. Muro, Under Secretary for Memorial Affairs, National Cemetery Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; Kathryn Condon, Executive Director of Army National Cemeteries Program, Department of Defense; Raymond Wollman, Deputy Secretary, American Battle Monuments Commission; Linda Halliday, Assistant Inspector General for Audits and Evaluations, Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Inspector General; and public witnesses.

#### **ABILITY OF THE GOVERNMENT TO PRIORITIZE ITS OBLIGATIONS SHOULD THE U.S. TREASURY REACH ITS STATUTORY DEBT LIMIT**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on examining the government's ability to prioritize its obligations and continue operations should the U.S. Treasury reach its statutory debt limit. Testimony was heard from Representatives Bachmann, McClintock, Scalise, Schweikert, and Webster (FL).

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE**

*House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 624, the “Cyber Intelligence Sharing and Protection Act”. The bill was ordered reported, with amendments.

### *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

---

#### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2013**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

##### **Senate**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal